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TITLE OF INVENTION: INCREMENTAL COMPLIANCE ENVIRONMENT, AN ENTERPRISE-WIDE SYSTEM FOR DETECTING FRAUD

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The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 1004 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 1004 day(s).

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**Notice of Allowability****Application No.**

10/768,334

**Examiner**

JAMES A. VEZERIS

**Applicant(s)**

ANGELL, ROBERT LEE

**Art Unit**

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**-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--**

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 8/27/2009.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-3,7-15 and 19-25.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some\* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),  
Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),  
Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.

/JAMES A VEZERIS/  
Examiner, Art Unit 3693

**Detailed Action**

1. The following communication is in response to an amendment entered 8/27/2009.

**Status of Claims**

2. Claims 1, 13-15, 19-25 are currently amended.
3. Claims 2, 3, and 7-12 are previously presented.
4. Claims 1-3, 7-15, and 19-25 are currently pending.

**Allowable Subject Matter**

5. Claims 1-3, 7-15, and 19-25 are allowed for the reasons discussed below.

**Examiner's Amendment**

6. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Rudolf Siegesmund on 12/1/2009.

Claim 13.

A program storage device readable by a machine, tangibly embodying a program of instructions executable by the machine to perform a method to detect fraudulent activity, said method ~~steps~~-comprising:

receiving a set of historical data stored in a customer behavior database;

identifying a plurality of control points in the set of historical data using a data analysis module, further comprising:

performing a statistical analysis on the set of historical data for identifying a plurality of outliers, wherein the plurality of outliers are identified by the statistical analysis as a set of significantly different data points in a distribution of the set of historical data; and

performing data mining techniques on the plurality of outliers to distinguish between a first set of outliers and a second set of outliers, wherein the first set of outliers are classified by the data mining techniques as non-fraudulent outliers and the second set of outliers are classified by the data mining techniques as fraudulent outliers, and wherein the first set of outliers are identified as the plurality of control points;

instructions for building at least one data model based on the plurality of control points, further comprising:

generating a fence that passes through the plurality of control points to define a boundary between data points, wherein the fence comprises line segments connecting the plurality of control points to form a continuous line for the boundary, and wherein data points inside or on the boundary of the fence

represent acceptable behavior and data points outside the boundary of the fence  
represent fraudulent behavior;

receiving a set of updated data, wherein the set of updated data includes a  
plurality of current data stored in the customer behavior database;

identifying one or more new control points based on the set of updated data  
using the data analysis module, further comprising:

performing a statistical analysis on the set of updated data for identifying  
an additional plurality of outliers, wherein the additional plurality of outliers are  
identified by the statistical analysis as an additional set of significantly different  
data points in a distribution of the set of updated data; and

performing data mining techniques on the additional plurality of  
outliers to distinguish between a third set of outliers and a fourth set of outliers,  
wherein the third set of outliers are classified by the data mining techniques as  
non- fraudulent outliers and the fourth set of outliers are classified by the  
data mining techniques as fraudulent outliers, and wherein the third set of  
outliers are identified as the one or more new control points;

adjusting the at least one data model to form an adjusted fence, within the at  
least one data model, based on the one or more new control points, wherein the at least  
one data model is refined for a plurality of iterations, further comprising:

generating the adjusted fence that passes through the plurality of control  
points and the one or more new control points to define a new boundary between  
data points, wherein the adjusted fence comprises line segments connecting the

plurality of control points and the one or more new control points to form a new continuous line for the new boundary, and wherein data points inside or on the new boundary of the adjusted fence represent acceptable behavior and data points outside the new boundary of the adjusted fence represent fraudulent behavior; and  
verifying a transaction based on the adjusted fence.

#### **Reasons for Allowance**

7. The closest prior art that the examiner has been able to locate is Yamanishi et al, U.S. Patent 7,353,214. Yamanishi provides a method for detecting abnormal data using filtering and outlier calculations. The method, given in Yamanishi, established an outlier rule by determining the degree an outlying piece of data was from normal data. Rules are then constructed and adapted based on known outliers. These rules allow the method to efficiently detect outliers from future data.

While Yamanishi is similar to the instant application in many aspects, there are clear patentable distinctions. Initially, Yamanishi does not teach generating a fence that passes through a plurality of control points to define a line which on one side are valid outliers and on the other invalid outliers.

Secondly, Yamanishi does not teach verifying a transaction based on the fence created. In the present application the system makes a determination to either accept or decline a transaction based on the fence that is created. Yamanishi returns outliers but does not make the determination to accept or decline the transaction.



The examiner would like to add an additional comment based on U.S. Patent 7,333,923 to Yamanishi et al. Examiner relied on this piece of art to complete a 103(a) rejection, stating it teaches making a determination to either accept or decline a transaction. Examiner still believes Yamanishi '923 teaches making the determinations, but since '214 does not teach generating a fence the 103 rejection could not stand.

**The following is a formal statement of reasons for allowance:**

Claims 1, 13, and 25 are allowed because the best prior art of record, Yamanishi, alone or in combination, neither discloses nor fairly suggest the limitations, system or in a method, and associated computer readable medium with instruction encoded thereon, for performing a method for order entry in an automated trading environment having at least one accessible electronic exchange to trade at, comprising the steps of:

*receiving a set of historical data stored in a customer behavior database;*

*identifying a plurality of control points in the set of historical data using a data analysis module, further comprising:*

*performing a statistical analysis on the set of historical data for identifying a plurality of outliers, wherein the plurality of outliers are identified by the statistical analysis as a set of significantly different data points in a distribution of the set of historical data; and*

*performing data mining techniques on the plurality of outliers to distinguish between a first set of outliers and a second set of outliers, wherein the first set of outliers are classified by the data mining techniques as non-fraudulent outliers and the second set of outliers are classified by the data mining techniques as fraudulent outliers, and wherein the first set of outliers are identified as the plurality of control points;*

*building at least one data model based on the plurality of control points, further comprising:*

*generating a fence that passes through the plurality of control points to define a boundary between data points, wherein the fence comprises line segments connecting the plurality of control points to form a continuous line for the boundary, and wherein data points inside or on the boundary of the fence represent acceptable behavior and data points outside the boundary of the fence*

*represent fraudulent behavior;*

*receiving a set of updated data, wherein the set of updated data includes a plurality of current data stored in the customer behavior database;*

*identifying one or more new control points based on the set of updated data using the data analysis module, further comprising:*

*performing a statistical analysis on the set of updated data for identifying an additional plurality of outliers, wherein the additional plurality of outliers are identified by the statistical analysis as an additional set of significantly different data points in a distribution of the set of updated data; and*

*performing data mining techniques on the additional plurality of outliers to distinguish between a third set of outliers and a fourth set of outliers, wherein the third set of outliers are classified by the data mining techniques as non- fraudulent outliers and the fourth set of outliers are classified by the data mining techniques as fraudulent outliers, and wherein the third set of outliers are identified as the one or more new control points;*

*adjusting the at least one data model to form an adjusted fence, within the at least one data model, based on the one or more new control points, wherein the at least one data model is refined for a plurality of iterations, further comprising:*

*generating the adjusted fence that passes through the plurality of control points and the one or more new control points to define a new boundary between data points, wherein the adjusted fence comprises line segments connecting the plurality of control points and the one or more new control points to form a new continuous line for the new boundary, and wherein data points inside or on the new boundary of the adjusted fence represent acceptable behavior and data points outside the new boundary of the adjusted fence represent fraudulent behavior; and*

*verifying a transaction based on the adjusted fence.*

Claims 2, 3, 7-12, 14, 15, and 19-24 are also allowable for the same reason discussed above, in that they are dependent on allowed Claims 1, 13, and 14. As a final matter any comments considered necessary by Applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and; to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submission should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

### **Conclusion**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JAMES A. VEZERIS whose telephone number is (571)270-1580. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-alt. Fridays 7:30am-5:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James Kramer can be reached on 571-272-6803. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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